

A BILL

FOR AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 24 OF THE ACTS OF THE TWENTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, RELATIVE TO MAINTAINING STATION HOUSES AND CONNECTIONS AT POINTS OF INTERSECTIONS OR CROSSINGS OF TWO OR MORE RAILROADS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That section 1, of chapter 24, acts of the Twentieth General Assembly, be and
2 the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof: "All railroad corpo-
3 rations shall, at all points where their lines cross, connect with, or intersect the lines of
4 other railroad corporations, unite with such other corporations in establishing and main-
5 taining suitable platforms and station houses for the convenience of passengers desiring to
6 transfer or change passage from one road to the other, and such corporations shall keep
7 such depot or passenger house warmed, lighted and open for passengers, a reasonable
8 time before the arrival and departure of all trains carrying passengers on either of said
9 roads, and said railroad corporations shall stop all trains at said passenger depot so estab-
10 lished for the transfer of passengers and baggage. The expense of constructing and main-
11 taining such station houses and platforms shall be paid by said corporations in equitable
12 proportions, and in case of disagreement between said corporations, as to the proper propor-
13 tion of said cost and expense which each shall incur and be subject to, the State Railroad
14 Commissioners shall apportion the same between the corporations, subject to the right of
15 appeal to the courts, by either corporation deeming itself aggrieved by the decision of said
16 commissioners. Such corporations connecting, crossing or intersecting as aforesaid shall
17 also, whenever ordered so to do by the Railroad Commissioners, construct the necessary
18 switches and side tracts and unite and connect the tracks of said several corporations, so as
19 to permit the transfer from the track of one corporation to the other, of loaded or unloaded
20 cars designed for transportation on both roads, and it is made the duty of the Railroad
21 Commissioners to see that this law is observed and enforced. Provided that where either
22 of said railroads shall have established regular passenger depots within one-half mile of
23 such crossing, or where each and all of said roads have depots within one mile of said cross-
24 ing, the Railroad Commissioners may in their discretion, by official orders, relieve said
25 companies from complying with the provisions of this section.